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In re the U.S. National Stage application of:

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For: NOVEL PLASTIC BASED COMPOSITE AND ITS USE

TRANSMITTAL OF DECLARATIONS AND PAYMENT OF FEE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 23, 2000

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith two original, signed declarations for this application and a check in the amount of \$65.00 for payment of the "small entity" surcharge for late filing of the declarations.

A Recordation Form Cover Sheet with Assignment, a Transmittal of Small Entity Declarations, an Information Disclosure Statement and a Request for Refund accompany this Transmittal.

It is believed that submission of the enclosed declarations and payment of the surcharge complete all requirements for entry into the U.S. national stage. Accordingly, issuance of a Notice of Acceptance of Application are earnestly requested.

In the event that this Transmittal is not considered to be timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate